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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM

1. ZAGREB UNIVERSITY RECTOR PREDRAG VRANICKI COMPLETES HIS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO US ON OCT 31, AND DEPARTS ON PA 72. IN FRANKFURT CHANGES TO JU 359 WHICH DEPARTS 1250 HOURS NOV 1, AND ARRIVES ZAGREB 1425 NOV 1.

2. FOR ZAGREB: DR. VRANICKI REQUESTS HIS WIFE BE NOTIFIED OF ETA.

3. VRANICKI'S PROGRAM WAS GOOD COMBINATION OF PROFESSIONAL CONTACTS AND GENERAL FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE UNITED STATES. ON SUBSTANTIVE SIDE, HE HAD USEFUL DISCUSSIONS AT THE JOHN HOPKINS WHERE HE WAS HOUSE GUEST OF JHU PRESIDENT MULLER. STANFORD UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT LYMAN ALSO WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO ACCOMMODATE DR. VRANICKI, AND WHILE ON WEST COAST HE MET WITH DR. SIDNEY HOOK AND HERBERT MARCUSE. IN BOSTON, DR. ROBERT COHEN OF BOSTON U ARRANGED MEETINGS WITH THE PRESIDENTS OF MIT, BOSTON U AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS. SCHEDULING PROBLEMS, HOWEVER, PREVENTED VRANICKI FROM TALKING WITH GEORGE KENNAN AND JOHN KENNETH
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4. OTHER HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDED RED CARPET TREATMENT AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND TOURIST VISITS TO WILLIAMSBURG, NEW ORLEANS, AND HOUSTON (NASA).

5. DR. VRANICKI SHOWED REMARKABLE VITALITY AND ENERGY THROUGHOUT HIS 40 DAY STAY, AND THROUGH PRACTICE HIS ENGLISH ABILITY IMPROVED MARKEDLY THUS BEARING OUT HIS DESIRE TO HAVE AN ESCORT WHO SPOKE ONLY ENGLISH.

6. IN MEETING AT CU/EE, DR. VRANICKI EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN BEEFING UP THE SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES IN THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM, AND THE EMBASSY AND CONGEN ARE REQUESTED TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS HIGH-LEVEL INTEREST ON THE YUGOSLAV SIDE.

7. DEPT GREATLY APPRECIATES DETAILED BIO DATA AND PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS WHICH POSTS PROVIDED AND WHICH WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN SUCCESSFUL ARRANGEMENT OF VRANICKI'S PROGRAM INGERSOLL

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